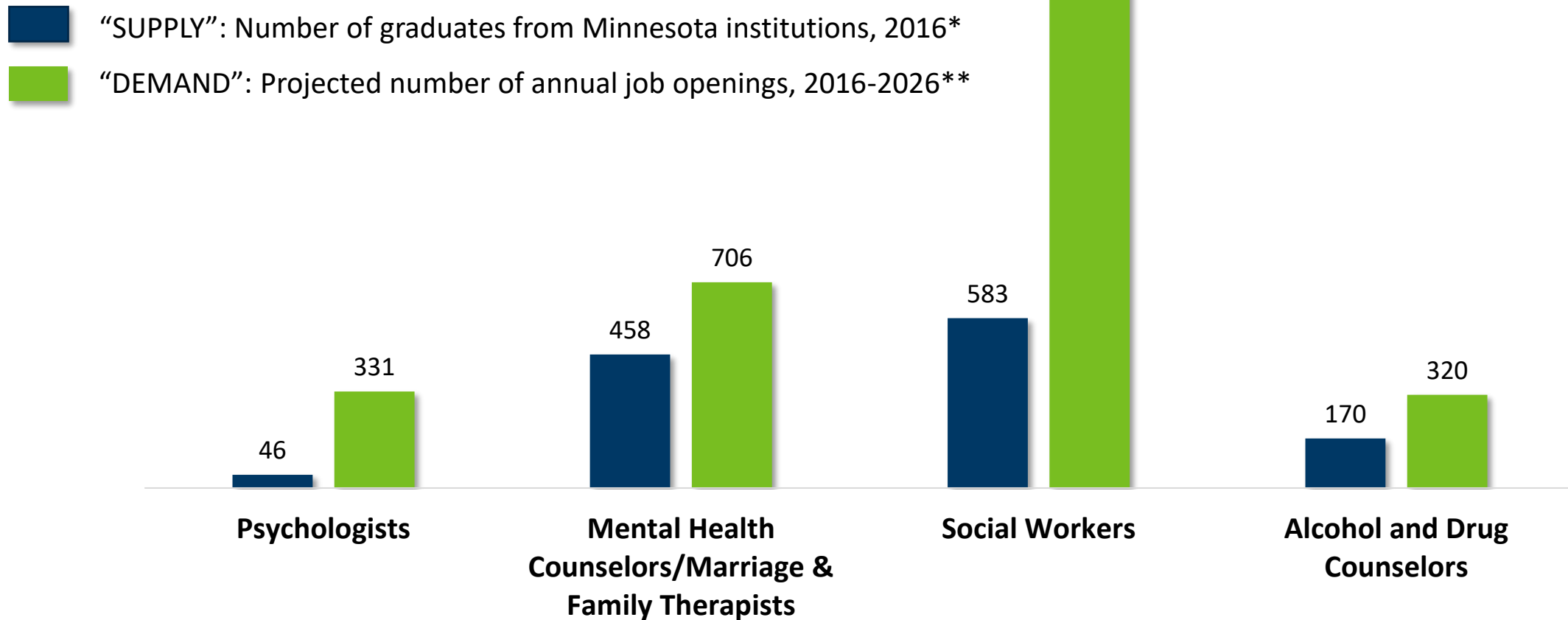


Statewide supply and demand indicators



Data sources: number of graduates comes from the Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS), housed on the Minnesota Office of Higher Education website. Number of projected job openings comes from the Department of Employment and Economic Development (DEED) Occupational Projections program. Psychology graduates include only those in clinical or counseling psychology with a doctorate. Mental health counselors, MFTs, and Social Worker graduates include only masters'-prepared graduates. Alcohol and drug graduates include only those prepared with a bachelor's and above. These counts include graduates from Argosy, which has since closed. Argosy produced roughly half of the recent psychology Ph.D.s in the state.

What happens to mental health program graduates after they finish their degrees?

Minnesota graduates from **2007-2014** from the following programs:

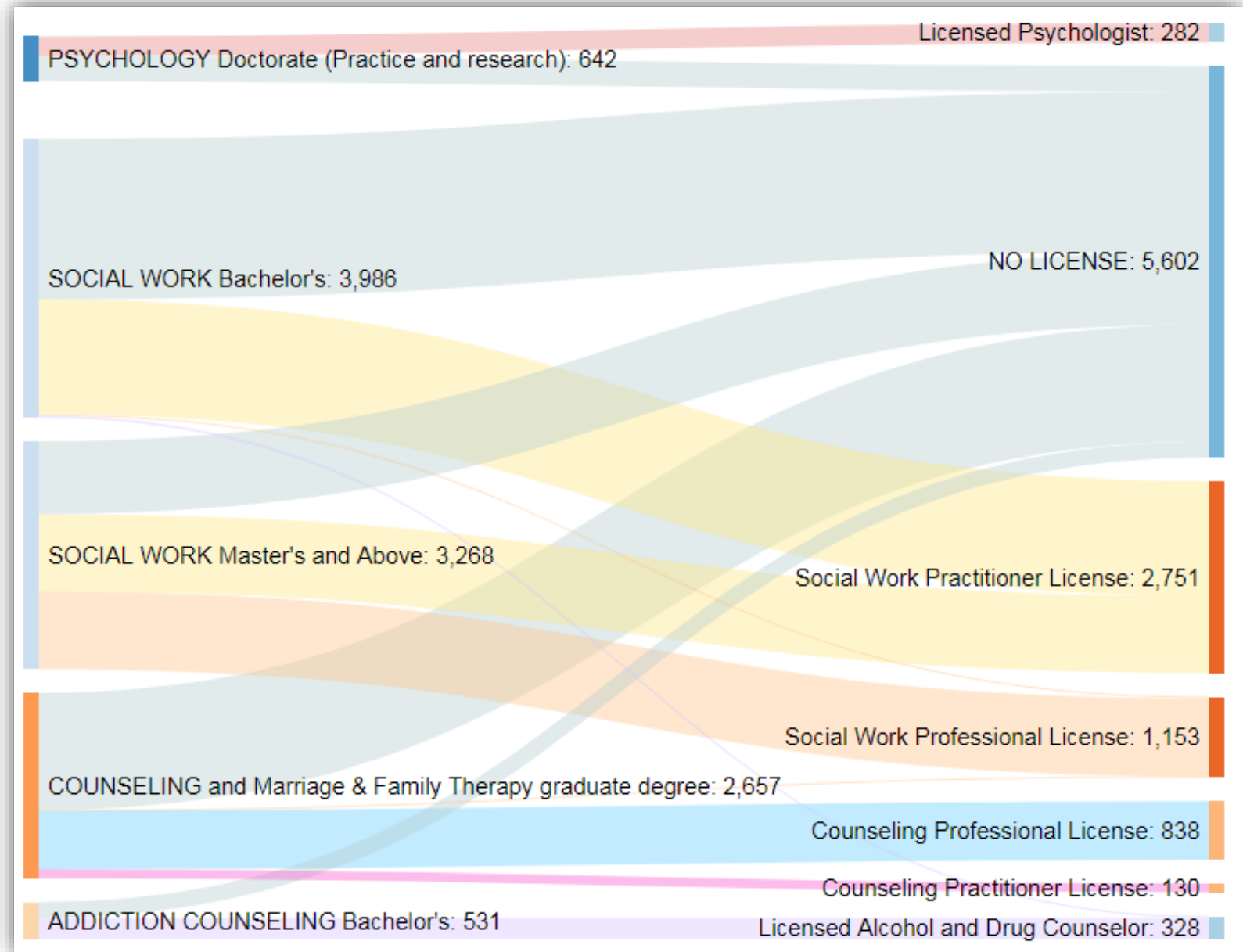
- **psychology,**
- **social work,**
- **family and individual counseling,**
- **and substance abuse counseling**

By 2017, just 49.1 percent of these graduates had obtained a mental health professional or practitioner license.

Source: "Filling the Mental Health Pipeline" Minnesota Economic Trends, 2017.

MN MH program graduates, 2007-2014

License types



Since 2016, state student loan forgiveness funds have helped recruit and retain 133 mental health professionals.

Clinician Participation in the Minnesota Loan Forgiveness Program, 2016 to 2020

Type of Discipline*	Rural	Urban Underserved	Total
Clinical Psychologists	14	6	20
Licensed Independent Clinical Social Workers	36	16	52
Marriage and Family Therapists	24	7	31
Licensed Professional Clinical Counselors	17	12	29
Psychiatric Nurse Specialists, Psychiatric Nurse Practitioners	1	0	1
TOTAL	92	41	133

*Licensed Alcohol and Drug Counselors (LADCs) are not currently eligible for loan forgiveness funds, in spite of the fact that only 2% of all LADCs practice in rural areas of Minnesota, where there is significant need for substance abuse care.

Median MN wages of mental health and comparison occupations

